Mr. Scott John Edwards

April 4, 1972 - June 23, 2024

Scott John Edwards, age 52, passed away unexpectedly on June 23, 2024. He was the proud father to Caila Edwards, grandfather to Ryker Edwards-Benitez, and devoted husband to his late wife, Samitha Hess Edwards.

As a Galveston Island, Texas, resident, Scott was active in the community. He was a Sr. Project Manager for TierPoint and owner of Affaire d'Art Gallery and From the HeART Gallery, in Galveston, that he had co-owned with his late wife.

Born in Herkimer, New York, to John C. Edwards and Sandy Edwards, Scott grew up in Upstate New York with his younger sister, Kim, where he enjoyed camping, hiking, cycling and water sports.
In 1990, Scott graduated from Herkimer High School. In 1992, he received his Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in ecology and environmental studies at Paul Smith's College in Paul Smiths, New York. In 1993, after serving in the United States Air Force, Scott moved to Houston, Texas.

After a brief stint working in water treatment in Pasadena, Texas, Scott began his career in customer service for a life insurance company in Houston. Because of his technical talents, Scott was recruited to work in the IT field where he held various technical, management and consulting roles over his 31-year career.

Scott loved animals, photography and riding his motorcycle. He could often be found taking his newly adopted dog, Gracie, on beach walks, snapping pictures on the island or riding his Harley Davidson.
Supporting those in need was important to Scott. Recently, he dressed up as Santa Claus at Christmastime and gave presents to needy children in Galveston. He was also an avid supporter of Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA).

Scott was preceded in death by his wife Samitha Hess Edwards of Galveston, Texas.
Scott is survived by his daughter, Caila Edwards of Houston, son-in-law, Misael Benitez, Jr., his grandson, Ryker Edwards-Benitez, his parents John C. and Sandy Edwards of Herkimer, New York, his sister, Kimberly of Herkimer, New York, his aunt, Pat Edwards of Kayuta Lake, New York, his nephews, Tyler and Shane, his in-laws, Catherine and Fred Hess of Galveston, Texas, and longtime best friend, Rocky Condo, of Houston.

Funeral arrangements will be held privately with immediate family.

Tribute Wall

DY

Scott was a good friend to my brother. I imagine they met through their shared interest in photography and technology. When my brother lost his battle with esophageal cancer in 2018, Scott selflessly drove some distance to help his wife organize his data and help preserve it. Two years later, when his daughter died unexpectedly, he again helped my sister-in-law manage social media accounts. Both times, he gave of his time and expertise, willingly and lovingly. He was selfless. We may never know why the Lord chose this ending for Scott, but his life of giving will never be forgotten, and is an example for us all. My heart grieves for the loss of him in your life, Caila, and the life of Ryker. The many tributes offered for Scott will be a rich legacy for you both.

Donna Young - August 09, 2024 at 07:13 AM

JP

Rest in piece my friend. You were a great friend throughout our times at Paul Smiths, despite "accidentally" shaving the side of my head the night before graduation! Enjoyed keeping in touch since and following all your accomplishments on Facebook.

Jason Pelton - July 13, 2024 at 07:42 AM

WB

He will be missed. Am from Uganda and him and his family supported us for school and other orphans in 2007 to 2009. May his soul rest in peace

Wedeya Brian - July 15, 2024 at 08:52 AM

LF

My husband Michael and I have known Scott since they worked together at Comfort Systems USA back in early 2000's. We kept up during the years and always enjoyed talking and were amazed at how much Scott grew once he met Samitha !!He was so happy you could feel pure joy and love —Scott lived life everyday—a picture on the beach -a bike ride , meeting anew artist , grabbing pizza and a drink after a long day ..everything he did was thoughtful and reflected on —he was at peace with himself and his life. Caila and Ryker you both have an Angel protecting over y'all and all of our prayers and love and dreams fly toward you both —Love in Christ Laurie and Michael Worley Cypress ,Texas

Laura FreeziaWorley - July 05, 2024 at 12:42 AM

CC

There are many things I'll miss about Scott, I'll miss his bright smile and beautiful soul. I'll miss hearing his voice and his guidance. For almost 17 yrs life gave me an older Brother. Jennifer, Anthony and I we're blessed for sharing our lives with him. I know one day we'll meet again, until then, we love you and will miss you!

Carlos Cando - July 04, 2024 at 05:07 PM

CC

There are many things I'll miss about Scott. I'll miss hearing his voice, I'll miss his guidance when I needed him. Scott had one of the most beautiful souls you've ever meet.
Jennifer, Anthony and I we're glad we got to share ours lives with you. For almost 17 yrs life gave me an older Brother. I know some day will meet again, until then, we love you and will miss you!

Carlos Cando - July 04, 2024 at 05:11 PM

Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Scott John Edwards.

July 02, 2024 at 10:42 PM

MM

Mark (Big Dawg) and Char (Binks) Mills planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mr. Scott John Edwards.

Mark (Big Dawg) and Char (Binks) Mills - July 02, 2024 at 10:42 PM

RM

Rachel Merz lit a candle in memory of Mr. Scott John Edwards

Rachel Merz - July 02, 2024 at 01:29 PM

RM

I am so sorry for your all's loss. I am a co-worker of Scott's at TierPoint, and I think that I speak with every single one of us that knew him or worked with him, that he was one of the kindest souls a person could ever meet. Please know that he will be incredibly missed, and we will always remember him. Prayers and may he be rejoicing in heaven with his wife.
My sincere condolences to all of his family and friends,
Rachel Merz

Rachel Merz - July 02, 2024 at 01:28 PM

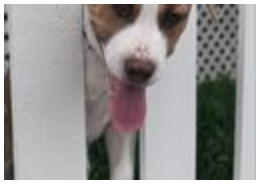
RO

I was so very sorry to know about Scott's passing. As a recent customer of his gallery just a few weeks ago I had the chance to meet and chat with him for a few minutes, as well as meeting Gracie. I petted Gracie and told Scott that he was an angel to have gotten her from a shelter. He came across as a very kindhearted person. My sincere condolences to all his family...

Rose - July 01, 2024 at 03:31 PM

TL

While I never met Scott in person, we had a good work relationship and he was a great guy! We had a particularly difficult customer for a project that we were on. He and I chatted on the side, while this customer was being difficult to us, and I learned about how he started his career. I was so impressed by the things he had done. He also shared a few pictures with me that he had taken. One was of a bird that he said "was trying to take my head off." The other was of a puppy that he recently adopted.
I will miss our chats and I'm sorry this world lost such a good person, so early.
-Todd Ludwig, SDM at TierPoint



Todd Ludwig - July 01, 2024 at 08:00 AM

JP

Met at the old gallery across from Star Drug, Scott & Samitha had just became gallery owners. Scott & his Samitha both believed in me more than anyone except my Mother. Scott totally cheered me on to have my art life away from Dallas so I shall always strive to be an island artist here & I will never forget the deep heart he had for my eldest techie son who he mentored & my youngest how he'd team up w Samitha boosting confidence in his creativity for so long, Scott kept on his encoutlraging way to all 3 of us, he was my islandbrother & we shall miss him terribly. Hugs & prayers, Jen

Jen Portz - June 30, 2024 at 11:58 PM

HM

I have known Scott and Samitha from the original location. Samitha gave me my first break. I have spent time with them in their house. You could just tell how much in love they were. I watch them play in the water in the street after a heavy rain. Scott cooked scrambled eggs for me out of tofu. WOW!!! I am stunned, shocked, sad. I will miss him more than anything. Rest in Peace Scott, Tell Samitha Hello for me and I am missing you both. Love you both so very much!!!

Haslell Morris - June 30, 2024 at 05:25 PM

BL

I am so very, very sorry for your loss. My late husband, George Douglas Lee, and I were friends with Scott and Samitha. Regrettably both Samitha and George were at UTMB at the same time. George learning Samitha was hospitalized wanted to visit her. So off we went, me pushing George in his wheel chair, on to the elevator and thru the halls. I'm sure our arrival at the door was a surprise to them both.
In the intervening years, we shared our grief over the loss of our spouses. From time to time Scott and I talked Gallery business. He participated with G. Lee Gallery at last year's CASA of Galveston County annual event. Most recently, I met his new pup at the Shoppes. If I'd known, I would have lingered longer to talk...
My deepest sympathy, Brenda D. Lee

Brenda D. Lee - June 29, 2024 at 10:14 PM

MW

What an amazing guy with a heart of gold! I have never seen a guy that worked so hard in daily life and in the art community! I never met his wife but the fact he carried on with her dreams after her passing just says what an awesome and caring person he was! He was wonderful and will be missed!

Melissa Wilson - June 29, 2024 at 10:00 PM

DS

My condolences to the immediate family and art family at both galleries. I've known Scott for the two years that I've been an artist at both galleries and he was always so kind. We sat and talked for an hour at the last ArtWalk and I'm still in shock over his passing. He touched so many lives in positive ways that he'll live on in all of our hearts. RIP Scott!

David Slavin - June 29, 2024 at 08:12 PM

CB

My deepest sympathy to the family and all the friends who are so devastated by this tragic loss. Scott and Samitha were such an inspiration to all who love art. I met them first when my photography was accepted into Affaire d'Art and then on to The Shoppes as Scott brought that about. I am grateful to have known them. Scott always had a smile and warm welcome and truly cared about each and every one. The loss is heartbreaking. I hope his (and Samitha's) vision of great art continues to flourish.

Charleen Baugh - June 29, 2024 at 07:00 PM

LM

Scott was good friends with my family. He and my husband Fred McLean were passionate about computers and they worked together many years back in IT. Also they shared same passion for photography. They remained friends through the years. He was a good friend to my daughter and me when Fred passed from cancer. He was so helpful and supportive and he continued that support when my I lost my daughter. Scott was a true trusted friend,generous and kind. I miss him tremendously. My deepest condolences to the family.

Lisa McLean - June 29, 2024 at 02:23 PM

RW

Scott has been a wonderful co-worker and compassionate friend as I have navigated through coping with my spouse who has Stage 4 cancer. His guidance, compassion and friendship has meant everything to me . My heart is broken but rejoices for him to be reunited with those he loves. Simply thank you for all you did for me isn't nearly enough. Rest easy, you earned those wings.

Rhonda Wille - June 28, 2024 at 02:48 PM

Caila, Fred, All the Edwards & Hess Family, Friends and all those at B.A.C.A, my name is John Saunders, I worked directly with Scott at his company, TierPoint. We learned so much about Scott's life outside of work throughout his 2 years with us, and we learned what an amazing sole he has. On behalf of us all, we're very sorry for your loss, and we will always remember Scott's smile and easy ability to light up a room.

John Saunders
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John Saunders - June 28, 2024 at 02:44 PM

LP

Scott & Samitha are dancing together in heaven today. Beautiful couple we will all miss. Leona Pleasant

leona Pleasant - June 30, 2024 at 05:50 PM

WH

As the property manager of the Eibands Building,I had the pleasure of working with Scott in his role at The Shoppes On Post Office (the old Emporium). He always was meticulous regarding details, energetic in getting things done, and a fun person to interact with, even as he managed to wearing multiple hats. We were fellow New Yorkers, but I see now that we shared the same birth day, April 4, too.

I am shocked, saddened and feel the loss of someone I admired for his work ethic, and whose presence I will greatly miss both professionally and personally.

Wayne D Holt - June 30, 2024 at 07:42 PM

BW

I've known Scott as a colleague for nearly 2 years; he always carried a smile and had great stories to share. How someone was able to balance multiple passions, with positive energy, touch so many lives, is truly amazing. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends.

Bob W. - June 28, 2024 at 02:44 PM

CC

I have worked with Scott, since he joined TierPoint. I had many, many conversations with him about riding and how much we loved our families. Scott will be missed. He was an awesome person.

Carey Cole - June 28, 2024 at 02:41 PM

TA

Scott was a very talented person who loved to help others. He always had a smile on his face no matter what he was going through. He brighten up everyone around him by his humor and was just a great friend. He will be missed by all that knew him weather it was through his art, photography, or the ones he rode with. He is now flying high and riding in the skies. He was one of a kind for sure.

T. Alexander - June 27, 2024 at 12:50 PM